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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chair
Appropriations Committee
2358-B Rayburn House Office
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Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chair
Appropriations Committee
2358-B Rayburn House Office
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Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Blackwell Forest Preserve Cenacle Bridge Project in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County located at 35580 Naperville Road Wheaton, IL 60189. The funding would be used to complete a needs assessment of the current Cenacle bridge and determine whether to repair or replace the deteriorating structure. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds Blackwell Forest Preserve is one of the most highly visited preserves that residents and visitors access for nature-based recreation free of charge, and this project would help maintain active transportation and recreational connectivity with regional and municipal trail systems.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by chapter 53 of title 49 of the United States Code

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Delia C. Ramirez
Member of Congress